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Miss Kay Teel Exchanges Vows With E. L. Hart In Quiet Ceremony

In a candle-light ceremony, Miss Kay Teel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Teel of Hope, became the bride of E. L. Hart of Roswell, in a quiet ceremony at 6 o'clock Saturday evening in the home of her parents, Rev. E. A. Drew, Hope Methodist pastor, performed the double-ring ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a powder-blue crepe dress trimmed with sequins and black accessories. She wore a shoulder corsage of pink carnations, and a single carnation in her hair. For the traditional something old, she wore a gold locket given to her mother by her great grandfather, Broome; for something blue her dress; something new, a watch set with diamonds, a gift from the bridegroom. The something borrowed was a pair of diamond earrings belonging to Mrs. Mike Jernigan.

The bride was attended by Mrs. Mike Jernigan. She wore a navy blue taffeta dress trimmed in gold and black accessories. She wore a pink carnation corsage. The bridegroom was attended by Mike Jernigan of Carlsbad.

Mrs. George Teel, mother of the bride, wore a forest-green crepe dress with black accessories and a pink carnation corsage.

Mrs. Guy Crockett, sister of the bride, played appropriate music preceding the ceremony, and the "Bridal Chorus." She wore a navy blue dress and a red carnation corsage.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home. Refreshments of sandwiches, coffee, punch, and a wedding cake were served from a table laid with a beautiful lace tablecloth. Guests were served by Mrs. Guy Crockett and Mrs. Charlie Cole.

Mrs. George O. Teel presided at the guestbook. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Teel, Mr. and Mrs. John Teel, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cole, Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Crockett and children, Bill and Gary; Mr. and Mrs. George O. Teel and children, Barry and Karen; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Jernigan, Mrs. W. B. McGuire and son, W. B., Jr.; Mrs. W. F. McGuire, Mrs. Hila Teel, Mrs. Janie Richards, Mrs. R. L. Cole, Ezra Teel and Mr. and Mrs. George S. Teel.

For going-away attire, the bride wore a brown wool gabardine suit with brown accessories and a shoulder corsage.

After a short wedding trip the couple will be at home at 411½ North Lea in Roswell.

Hope Defeats Roswell 'B' 27-23

The Hope Yellow Jackets defeated Roswell "B" team at Roswell last Friday night, Dec. 10 by the score of 27-23. The Hope "B" team lost to the Roswell Juniors 17-16. Kent Terry, Hope center, led the Hope varsity by scoring nine points. W. G. Madron scored eight points with L. Harrison and B. McGuire scoring four, A. Melton 2, G. Harrison and Junior Newson scoring one each. After trailing at the half by four points, the Yellow Jackets came back in the second half to outplay the Roswell team and win going away.

The Hope "B" team lost by one point after trailing the entire game. Ray Jones led the scoring with seven points with T. Harrison scoring five points to capture runner-up honors, Harvey Taylor and E. Tunnell also scored two points each.

The starting lineup for the Hope varsity consisted of L. Harrison and W. G. Madron at forward, K. Terry at center and A. Melton and G. Harrison at guards.

Governor's Visit

It is gratifying to the people of Eddy County for Governor Thomas J. Mabry to take a day off from his many pressing duties in the state capitol and come to Carlsbad for an unscheduled, spontaneous visit with his friends.

The governor "hitch-hiked" an airplane ride Friday with State Highway Engineer Burton Dwyre to Artesia and Carlsbad. He looked over proposed road projects here and at Artesia, dined with Eddy county politicians, visited with friends and thanked them for their support in the recent election, and flew back to Santa Fe.

As County Democratic Chairman George Reese pointed out, this is the first time a governor has taken the trouble to visit Eddy county "after

the election." Eddy County is again the banner Democratic county this year, and the governor has indicated he will repay the people here for their strong support of his administration.

If his actions thus far since the election are indicative of the future, Eddy county can expect favorable consideration at Santa Fe in the months ahead. The governor has given the state sound administration in the two years just past, and we are confident that he will continue to look after the affairs of the people in a conscientious, efficient manner during the next two years.—Current-Argus.

The Pep Squad

Where there is a basketball team that improves so rapidly as the Yellow Jackets have done, there is certain to be some enthusiasm registered. And boundless enthusiasm with faith encourages our boys to further improvement. We have that happy combination here within our school.

The Hope Pep Squad plays almost as hard and much more noisily than the boys do. Each good play brings shrieks of ecstasy that Frank Sinatra cannot evoke, each stroke of bad luck elicits moans and groans of greatest sorrow and sympathy. Every person who comes with visiting teams remarks upon the fervent spirit of our Pep Squad.

Each community visited is amazed at the voice volume per capita of the Hope youngsters. No where else can you find 100 per cent of the girls supporting with one accord the basketball teams of their school. Zona Pearl Jones, Mary Jane Hardin and Wilma Young as Pep Squad leaders are working hard to perfect their routines and every one of the other girls comes eagerly to each practice called. From the senior class there are, besides Zona and Wilma Jo, Betty Zane Teague and Elta Chaik. Dorane Teague is the only junior girl. From the sophs comes Carolyn Young and Wilma Jean Watts to join Mary Jane, Freshman noise makers are Beverly Beverage, Bobby Jo Munson, Nancy Raley. Eighth graders who yell without restraint are Carol Munson, Oleta Melton, Elia Sue Nunnelee, and Sammy Chaik. Seventh graders whose mothers confine them to home games are Reeva Jeanne Woods, Barbara June Madron, Babe Ann McElroy, Wilma Seeley and Alta Ruth Young. We hope Patsy Wells will join us soon.

There are other benefits to belonging to the Pep Squad besides the encouragement it gives the boys. The school spirit that consumes these girls also bands them together, helping to overcome petty quarrels and feuds. It gives them a common interest in something outside themselves. The squad practices and the games attended help to provide them with entertainment that we as a community are failing to give them. The trips to games elsewhere give them opportunity to observe and learn from other school groups, helping to develop their pose and self confidence. They even learn by getting lost in some of the buildings. And we are doubly glad to say they do not let the smallness of their number embarrass them into forgetting their loyalty to their team.

If you haven't been out to see your team play or hear your Pep Squad perform, you are missing something. You should by all means see the local performances and if at any time you can lend your services and cars to convey the girls to other localities, we shall be most grateful. We plan to attend the game at Dexter Jan. 7. Wouldn't you like to go?—L.T.

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Hope Defeats Monument 35-28

The Hope Yellow Jackets defeated Monument 35-28 on the Hope floor last Saturday night, Dec. 11, to win their fourth straight game of the season with all three games being played this past week. Playing their last home game before the Christmas vacation, the Hope varsity led the Monument five the entire game and retook the lead in the second half when the Monument five made a desperate attempt to overtake the Yellow Jacket lead.

Kent Terry, Hope pivot man, led the Yellow Jacket attack by scoring 16 points. Alvin Melton also turned

in an outstanding game performance by scoring 12 points. Linn Harrison also scored four points with W. G. Madron scoring 2 and G. Harrison scoring one point.

The visitors were unable to stop the smooth clicking Hope offense with the Hope five working the ball for set-ups and shot-set shots throughout the entire game. The Yellow Jackets also turned in an improved game of defense and rebounding.

The season's record for the Hope varsity thus far now stands at four games won and five games lost. The Hope "B" and "A" teams will play at Hondo, Wednesday night, Dec. 15, in their last game before the Christmas vacation.

The Monument "B" team defeated the Hope "B" team 30-19 in the preliminary game. Thomas Harrison led the local "B" team by scoring eight points with Ray Jones and Junior Newson scoring four each.

New Bank Building Opened Wednesday

The formal opening of the new First National Bank Building was held Wednesday afternoon from 2:30 to 6:30 p. m. As soon as the doors were opened, visitors began to arrive and during the afternoon, the rooms were crowded with people from all sections of the country. Of course business people from Artesia were there in large numbers. Weed, Mayhill, Elk and Hope were also well represented. Everyone were loud in their praises of the new building which is one of the finest in the state. Punch and cake were served to the visitors.

School News

7th and 8th Grade News: Edward Madron and David Sanders were absent from school Monday. We are going to have our Christmas party Tuesday morning. Our basketball boys from the 7th and 8th grade are going to play Cottonwood Monday night.

5th and 6th Grade News: We want to thank Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Meliard for the pretty Christmas tree they gave us. We have it decorated with ornaments, lights and many presents. Our Christmas party will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. We would like to have all of the mothers come. Marion Ray Teel left Wednesday morning for Brownsville, Texas. He and his parents and Exa Ann plan to return around the first of the year. Several of us are learning to paint with show card paints. Some of us are making pictures with wool burning needles. We have made some very pretty hand-painted Christmas cards.

1st and 2nd Grade News: It is fun to read in primers. Just ask any first grader. There's nothing to give a bigger thrill. The only bad thing about them is the teacher not letting the pupils read the whole book through the first day. Oh, well, I guess we can do something else awhile. Oh, yes, we have just finished our Christmas gifts for our daddies. We've already wrapped our mothers' gifts and how hard it has been to keep from telling them what we have made. But maybe if we keep on decorating the tree, Mr. and Mrs. Lea gave us, we can talk about that instead. Every time we do our seat work perfectly we get to tie a decoration on the tree. In about four days the tree will be full and very lovely. So far, Mrs. Young is the only one to break a decoration. Patsy was the first to use the foot long pencil. She used it all day Monday for making every letter perfectly in her writing lesson. That same day, Mrs. Teague finished the pillow fight story and surprised us with candy and bubble gum. You know there must be something special about being 6 and 7 years old. Everyone is so very nice to us. All the boys and girls are back in school except Marie. She is at school at Las Vegas. We wonder if she is ahead or right with us. We hope she is getting phonics like we are so she won't get behind on her sounds. Did you know that Wendell can sound the longest words? We have had all the short vowels and now we'll begin the long sounds. First graders are on their second vowels. Mrs. Young is going to let us hunt in a dictionary for any word that has a "q" without a "u" behind it.

3rd and 4th Grade News: We have trimmed our Christmas tree and are ready for Christmas. We have exchanged names and each of us will buy a small gift for some other pupil. We are practicing a short play for Christmas. We are trying very hard to make each written lesson without

Many Guests From Wide Area Fete Mr. and Mrs. Reeves On Anniversary

At the golden wedding celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Reeves Tuesday of last week at their home on the Rio Penasco, a total of 230 guests, including all 10 of Mr. and Mrs. Reeves' children and members of their families, enjoyed barbecued beef and lamb.

The guest register revealed friends and relatives had come from many communities, some from great distances, while others have been neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Reeves a number of years, for they both have lived on the Penasco more than 61 years.

The guest list included the children and their families: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harwell and son, Jimmie; Mr. and Mrs. George O. Teel and children, Barry and Karen; Mr. and Mrs. Loren Reeves and Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Reeves, all of Hope; Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Cox and children, Eula Marie, Ruth Ann, J. W., and Shirley, of Mayhill; Mr. and Mrs. Charley Shull of Cludcroft, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hendricks and children, Lonnie and Larry, of Roswell; Mr. and Mrs. Francis Yearwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ledlow and children, Bobby and Richard, of El Paso, and Mrs. W. S. Hogsett and son, Charles, of Artesia.

Brothers and sisters and families of Mr. Reeves present: Mrs. George Strickland, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Reeves and son, Louis, of Roswell; Mr. and Mrs. James Reeves of Anaheim, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Reece Reeves of Albuquerque, Mrs. Mable Teel of El Paso, and Roxy Harding of Tucson, Ariz.

A niece of Mrs. Reeves, Mrs. Ceril Beare, and Mr. Beare, were also present.

Friends present were: Ray and Joseph Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Curtis and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Lewis, Jenene Evans, Mrs. Orville Lewis and children, Bryan, Sue and Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. Jed Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Posey and daughter, Lucy; Mr. and Mrs. John L. Parker, Hilda Frizzell, Josey Stirman, Ellie Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Potter, Mrs. Veolan Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Manhill and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clayton and children, Roy Jr., and Jane, all of Mayhill.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bates and children, Eugene, Bill, Carrie, and Serena; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Cleve, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Cleve, Fred M. Griffin, Mrs. Lillian Bates, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Paxton, Mrs. Sophie Lanning and children, Carry and Willie; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cleve, Mrs. Angie L. Cleve and daughter, Katherine, and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Cleve, all of Elk.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Formwalt of Lake Arthur, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Williams, Jr., and children Lelia and Lena, and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Joy and son, W. R. Jr., of Flying H Ranch; Mr. and Mrs. Edsel Runvan, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gage, and Mrs. Ollie Jernigan of Pinon.

Mrs. Jack Russell and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Kimbrough of Hobbs, Mrs. Della Vickers, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Pittman, and Homer Davis of Cludcroft; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bates and Mr. and Mrs. John Gage of Carlsbad; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. West and son, Coleman and Mr. and Mrs. Carol Newson and Terry of Dexter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Miller of Sacramento, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fischer of Weed, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Galley of Colorado City, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Will T. Cole and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Elza Perry of Glencoe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs.

any mistakes but sometimes we have to copy a lesson four times. The 4th grade pupils have finished reading 11 readers this year and the 3rd grade pupils are reading their 10th reader. Melissa Mae Jones celebrated her 5th birthday Dec. 14. Her mother gave her a party at school. We enjoyed the cake and pop. We sang "Happy Birthday" to Melissa and gave her a pretty card with all of our names signed on it. We wish Melissa many more pleasant birthdays. We have missed Alice Wilkinson from our room since she has had the measles. We are expecting her to return soon. We are very sorry that Exa Ann Teel is ill and has gone to the coast with her parents. We hope she is much improved when she returns.

O. E. Hickett, Mrs. N. L. Norton and Leonard Clayton of Roswell; Marvin McGuire and Leroy Creek of Portales; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Watson of Albuquerque; Edward McGuire and Clifton and Blaine of Dunken.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Formwalt and daughter, Helen; Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Miller and son, Earl; Mr. and Mrs. Buzz Taylor and son, Harvey; H. A. Powell, Rachel and Hezzie; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cole, Mrs. R. L. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Teel, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Williams, R. E. Bates, Mrs. Bonnie Runyan and son, Edmund; Mrs. Ida Prude, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Brantley, Mr. and Mrs. John Ward, Mr. and Mrs. John Teel, Mrs. Janie Richards, Nora L. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Crockett, and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Beverage, all of Hope.

Norma Harwell, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McGuire, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones, Mrs. J. B. Mulcock, Mrs. Leroy Cranford, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Griffin and son, Leland, all of Artesia.

Jack Posey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Manhill, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Stover, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Nelson, John Hunter, and Felix Miller of Tularosa, Mr. and Mrs. John Yearwood and Elizabeth Lewis of El Paso; Mr. and Mrs. Lon Hunter, Alfred Hunter, Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Simms and Mrs. C. W. Winchester of Alamogordo, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jennings of Paomia, Colo.

Hope News

Home Schwalbe from El Paso has been here the past few days visiting Mrs. Jennie Schwalbe at the Chester Schwalbe home.

Mrs. A. A. Smith, Mrs. John Hardin and Pilar Ordunez went to Roswell Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Cauhape and Mrs. Cauhape's brother from Wyoming were shopping in Artesia Monday.

Arving Cox and John Bush were down to Artesia Saturday after pump repairs for the Lee Glasscock ranch. M. C. Newsom was here this week from Texas, where he is working on a pipe line as night watchman.

Maurice and Ezra Teel were in Roswell Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Teel and son and daughter left Wednesday for Corpus Christi, Texas, where they will spend a few weeks. They are making the trip for Mr. Teel's health.

Henry Coffin and J. C. Ward returned last week from a visit with relatives in Oregon and California.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cole were in Artesia Monday shopping.

Jess Musgrave was back this week from Las Vegas. He reports the granddaughter getting along nicely.

"How to Win a Husband." No romantic attachments in sight? Then come out of your daze and get into circulation. See the 10 easy rules for winning and holding a man. Read it in The American Weekly, that great magazine distributed with next Sunday's Los Angeles Examiner.—Adv.

Pinon News

Our attendance has been cut drastically because of chicken pox. Our average daily attendance for the past week was seven. We also had seven Monday of this week, but a different seven, since some have returned and new cases have broken out.

We had planned to give two Christmas plays Friday, Dec. 17. Because of the chicken pox, we will probably sing carols and have our Christmas tree. James Owen Coupland has a new baby brother named Jack Winnefred. Chuck Gage went to El Paso Monday on business. All who attended the senior play at Weed enjoyed it. Weed, why don't you bring it to Pinon? Mrs. Godley, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Merritt and Mrs. Smith are working on the stage curtains. They have them about half completed.

The Harris family and the Hepler family are going back to Alabama for Christmas. They are leaving Dec. 18. (Too late for last week)

Hilton Merritt went to Roswell last week. We are happy to know that his mother is better and is at home now.

Mrs. Tanner, Pat Samme and Sally visited over the week end in Alamogordo.

Peppertree Inn

By JEAN RANDALL

SYNOPSIS
The loss of their family fortune is accepted stoically by the Bristol family, including Professor Bristol, invalid archeologist; his daughter, Rosemary, and Simmons, a family "fixtured." The only property salvaged is Peppertree Inn, a Southern California hotel. To settle their dilemma, the Bristols move to California to operate the inn. Rosemary learns an innkeeper's problems from Bob Elliot, who has been managing the inn temporarily, and from actual experience. A broken arm delays the arrival of Kent Standish, her childhood sweetheart who was to manage the inn. A new problem looms with the arrival of the pompous Madame Chenault.

CHAPTER IX

Dinner was as good as a movie for the guests. Madame came into the dining-room with the effect of a parade. Her green satin gown was not only long; it boasted a train which squirmed after her. Bracelets sparkled and jingled on her thin arms. Her hair-do would have interested Marie Antoinette. She stopped before Linton Grahame who sat alone.

"Amour de Dieu!" she cried and flung up both hands. "I call on the good God to witness that Monsieur has my table!"

The startled artist leaped to his feet.

"I'm sorry—I didn't know—no-body told me—" he babbled.

Madame smiled graciously. "Quate all right, ra-ally. I'd be glad to have you join me. Non, non! It will not be an inconvenien-za, not at all!"

"Si, Signora," said Grahame, and sat down.

In the doorway Bob mopped his forehead with his handkerchief.

"That lad may have his uses, after all," he went on. "It looks as if he's going to be simpatica with the Madame!"

"As a conquest that looked almost too easy!" Ellen smiled. "She'd never win you that way, Bob."

"You're darn right! I see enough of 'em right here to ever fall for that."

"Now," Ellen's eyes twinkled, "if she'd been an avocado—"

Bob Elliot grinned abruptly. "I get you! I guess you're right at that!"

All day Rosemary had gone about with a song in her heart. Tomorrow Kent would be here! He had telephoned her from Philadelphia that he and his mother were flying to California.

She had gone at once to Bob with the news.

"Kent will be here tomorrow night!"

Bob Envisages End of Turmoil

"Tomorrow night, you say. Then the day after—no, I suppose I'll have to stay on for another day at least to show him the ropes. Although," he added resentfully, "who is this guy Standish that I should waste precious hours confiding to him the best place to buy meat, and the wholesale price of bath towels? No one told me. I had to learn every confounded thing for myself."

She lifted her chin. "If that's the way you feel about it, Bob, why don't you leave tonight? I can take care of the inn for one day alone. I've done it, as a matter of fact—"

"And it knocked you completely out, remember? No, I'll do my duty to the end," he sighed. "But, boy, oh, boy!" He leaned back in his chair and stretched out both arms. "Think of not seeing one darned female from early morn till dewy eve! No Tim, no Mrs. Hall, no Hetty, no guests, no telephone! Meals I haven't known a thing about until I come to the table! Long peaceful nights with no arrivals to break into my slumber! You know, Rosemary, I've used up my supply of tact for my lifetime. I mean, tact isn't like a muscle that can be developed; it's a bank account and I've overdrawn mine, I think."

"What's the excitement?" Ellen strolled up. "Another crisis in the affairs of the inn?"

Rosemary told her the news. She was surprised to see how it affected the other girl. Ellen took a step toward Bob, held out both hands.

"Bob, you're not really leaving? Right away, I mean? You can't! That is, Rosemary and this friend of hers can't get along without you—for a long time, anyway."

He grinned. "Yes, I'm such a howling success as an innkeeper that my advice is mighty valuable. Don't worry, Len. I'll show Standish the ropes, and then I'm off to L.A. avocado groves."

"And—I, Bob? What about me?"

"You're going to keep up this play-acting until you believe in your own role," he said roughly. "We both know why you started this idiotic business. There's no need for it now, Len, and I wish you'd quit it."

"It isn't play-acting, Bob. I've

told you that a thousand times. And—and—you know—"

His manner underwent a sudden change. He put his arm around her and said: "I know, Len. I wish I could help. But honestly I think you're mistaken. If you'd let me—"

She rested briefly against his shoulder. "You do help, my dear! If it wasn't for you—"

Rosemary slipped away.

The next day was one of turmoil. The inn produced every known variety of difficulty and a few new ones. Bob's horseshoe scowl was constantly in evidence. Mrs. Hall, the efficient housekeeper, grew hourly more laconic. Even Hetty's usual cheerfulness left her and she snapped at a waitress who got in her way. Only Rosemary went happily about her affairs. The com-



"Monsieur has my table!"

panion suite to the one she and her father occupied had been assigned to the Standishes.

She was vaguely aware that Bob was having a hard day. Every time she passed through the lobby he seemed to be deep in irritable discussion with somebody; but he did not ask her help and she soon forgot him. Ellen Carter was unlike herself, if Rosemary had had time to notice it. She was moody and silent, so unresponsive to the other girl's happy anticipations that Rosemary turned to the Professor and Simmons for response. Here she found it in unstinted measure.

Late that afternoon Rosemary put on her prettiest dress to be ready for the Standishes. It was of her favorite blue, a floating chiffon girdled with silver. She ran a matching ribbon through her curls, used rouge and lipstick lightly, and surveyed herself in the mirror with satisfaction. There was a knock at her door and she took in a square cardboard box.

"What on earth!" Beneath the layers of oiled paper lay quite the prettiest corsage she had seen in a long time: tiny pink rosebuds encircling a gardenia set in a misty green of maidenhair fern. Bob Elliot's card accompanied the flowers with a scribbled line under his name: "To help welcome the new manager!"

Kent Arrives And Takes Charge

It was nice of him, of course, and just what she needed to set off her frock; nevertheless she was not quite pleased. Decking her out to make her more attractive to Kent! That was what it amounted to. Bob saw her as the reason for Kent's becoming manager of the inn, and he was doing his bit to make that reason more important; more attractive, anyhow. Her displeasure grew as she meditated on the situation and at last she did a thing so utterly unlike her usual pretty courtesy that she wondered at it herself. She laid the corsage back in its wrappings, caught up her filmy skirts and went into the garden where she cut a cluster of long-stemmed pink roses to slip through her girdle.

"Very effective," was Len's comment at dinner. "Much newer than the usual thing. Old-fashioned. Your own idea?"

"Yes," Rosemary said briefly.

She had asked to have Kent and his mother shown to her own sitting-room when they came but hearing the stir of their arrival, hearing Kent's voice asking a question, she flew into the lobby with outstretched hands.

"Oh, Kent! I'm so glad to see

you! It's been so long!" His right arm was in a sling but he slipped his left one about her waist.

"Rosemary, darling!" Suddenly aware of interested glances, she drew away from him and held out her hand to Mrs. Standish.

"Peppertree Inn is glad to welcome you," she said, prettily. "Did you have a pleasant trip? Would you like to go to your rooms at once, or will you come and speak to Dad?"

And then they were all in the Bristol sitting-room and while Mrs. Standish exchanged a few words with Professor Bristol, Kent kissed his sweetheart.

"It seems a million years since I saw you, darling! How have you been? Great Scott, what a tan! Like it here?"

"Love it! There's so much to do, to see—I want to show you—"

He shook his head. "My job here starts tomorrow," he announced. "I've got all sorts of good ideas about this place. Thank Heaven, it wasn't my right arm that got busted. Look, Rosemary, how soon can we get rid of this Elliot? You wrote me he grows avocados and things. I'll bet he doesn't know beans about innkeeping."

"He does, Kent, but he hates it. He's only staying on a day or so to tell you about things."

"What sort of things?"

"Oh, how to hold expenses down and rates up, you know; where to buy supplies and how to keep the housekeeper happy. It's hard work, Kent, truly it is! I've been helping him and I know. We still haven't a clerk and Bob has to answer the telephone a lot of the time. And he has to pacify some of the guests, and scold the waitresses—"

He threw back his head and laughed. "Darling, it's time I was getting here! That's no way to run a hotel. You watch me! A manager should manage, and leave the details to other people."

"We-ell," she said doubtfully, "there haven't seemed to be any other people around to look after the details. It's lots harder than you'd think, Kent—managing an inn. Maybe you'd better let Bob stay on a while until you get the hang of it."

He kissed her again. "You're not to bother your darling head about it, Rosemary. I'm here to take care of everything!"

Bob Elliot had left Peppertree Inn. He and Kent had had a talk the morning after the latter's arrival. It lasted less than an hour and when it was over Bob went away to pack his bag, and Kent settled himself before the desk in the lobby. Rosemary, waiting with Ellen beneath the big tree in front, was surprised to see Bob approaching her, suitcase in hand.

Bob Bids His Farewell to Inn

"I'm off," he announced cheerfully. "Standish thinks he can get along. He can always call me, of course, if anything comes up that he doesn't know about."

"Going—now!" Rosemary exclaimed. "Bob, you can't! Kent doesn't realize—he's never tried to manage an inn—you know how things get all tangled up and—"

He flipped a hand in her direction. "Either he's been taking a course in innkeeping, or his is the bliss of ignorance. In any case, he says he'd rather start out without benefit of advice. I had to, you know, and I managed somehow. Bring him out to see the groves sometime, if he cares to. Good-bye, Rosemary. Good-bye, Len! Nice to have had these weeks with you both but my crop is calling and I must away!"

"He's gone," Rosemary said in a whisper. "He's actually gone! Oh, why did Kent let him?"

Ellen looked at her curiously. "If Bob could manage, don't you think your Kent can? He looks pretty smart to me."

"He's ten times smarter than Bob Elliot," she said indignantly, "but this is all new to him. California, and the inn, and all. He's never even had a job before. He's just traveled and enjoyed himself. Besides, he's got a broken arm."

"He's also got about ten millions back of him."

Rosemary turned away, genuinely offended. If the same thought had lurked in her own mind, she was too loyal to put it into words. She saw now how Kent's coming looked to Bob, to the guests, in all likelihood. A rich man's whim undertaken to please the girl he was going to marry. She clenched her small hands.

"I'm sorry, Rosemary," Ellen said. "I'm cross this morning because Bob's left."

"You're really serious about Bob Elliot?"

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Freezing is one of the oldest ways of preserving meat. It is also one of the newest, the U. S. department of agriculture points out.

In old-time freezing there was not much that could be done about the process. It was a winter method depending on continued cold. A mid-winter or early-spring thaw might spoil a meat supply intended to last for additional weeks or months. This was true whether the meat was wild game brought in by hunters or was from domestic animals.

Modern freezing is still so new that there is a good deal to be learned about it.

This is the purpose of an expansion of studies of meat freezing and curing made possible under the research and marketing act. A first step will be to survey freezing and curing methods now in use. Samples of meats typical of these methods of preservation will be assembled and compared for quality and nutritive value. Next, the experimenters will try first to duplicate, then improve the methods which the survey and comparison work indicate are most effective.

The bureau of animal industry will have equipment that can improve on even the most severe winter weather. It will be able to freeze meat at 100 degrees below zero if that proves desirable.

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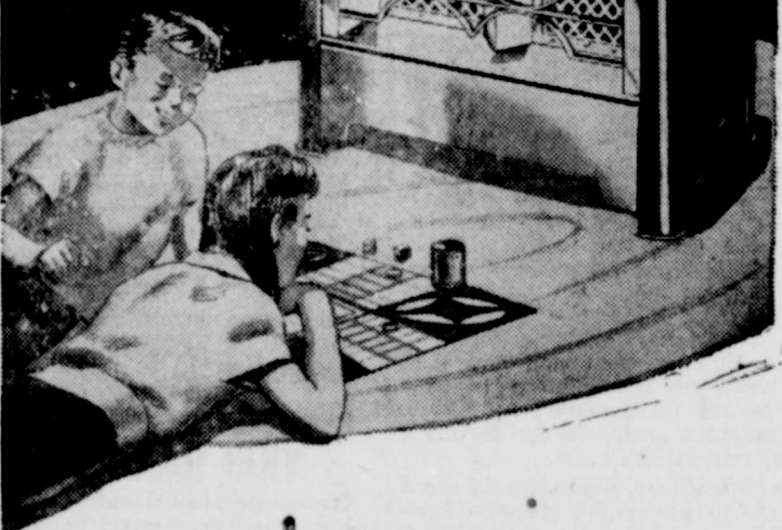
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Little Pigs Stunted By Worm Infestation Tests Show Marked Retarding of Growth

Seldom are farmers inclined to argue with scientists, livestock specialists and others who keep warning that internal parasites are

harmful to swine. However, a farmer will pose the question: "How much injury is caused by worm infestation?" The answer to that question is provided in tests conducted by the bureau of animal industry to de-



Growth of this pig will be determined largely by number of worms present.

termine how much the growth of pigs is retarded by roundworms (ascarids).

In carrying out the experiment, the bureau used eight litter-mate pigs eight weeks old, feeding four of them infective roundworm eggs. The other four, which served as controls, received no worm eggs.

After four months all eight pigs were weighed, killed and examined for roundworms. None were found in the control pigs, but the other four harbored 109, 39, 20 and 12, respectively.

Growth of the four pigs that had roundworms at autopsy was less rapid than the four controls. The pig with 109 worms weighed 8.7 pounds less than at the time it was fed the worm eggs; its control litter-mate gained 96 pounds.

The pig with 39 roundworms gained only 48 per cent as much as its control; the one with 20 roundworms, only 55 per cent as much as its control. The growth of the pig with only 12 roundworms

was not retarded as much as weighed nearly as much as its control mate.

Machinery Is Revamping Farming in Cotton Belt

Nearly a million tractors today are in action on farms in the 18 cotton-producing states, saving time and labor in nearly every phase of cotton production. The invasion of machinery into the South's white cotton fields is eliminating the back-breaking task of producing the cotton crop.

Man's mechanical helpers achieve in a few hours what formerly took days of costly human labor. For example, the flame cultivator, attached to a tractor, removes grass and weeds from the field at one-tenth the former cost.

An experiment in the coastal plains area of North Carolina showed that while 118 man hours are required to produce an acre of cotton by the old man-mule methods, use of two-row tractor equipment, mechanical choppers, flame cultivators and machine pickers cuts the man-hour requirements to 19.7 per acre.

Machines capable of harvesting a bale of cotton in slightly more than an hour are now a reality instead of a remote possibility. While the average hand-picker gathers about 15 pounds of seed cotton an hour, a single mechanical picker in the same field harvests about 1,500 pounds in 2 hours, 20 minutes. Thus, the mechanical harvester accomplishes the work of 40 to 50 human pickers.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

U. S. Cooling to Chiang Kai-shek; Russians Agree to Blockade Talks; Truman Wary on Deflation Prospect

EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.

HOLE CARD: China's Missing?

With stakes terrifically high and the Communists having him beat showing, China's Chiang Kai-shek fingered the pasteboards for a look at his hole card. In a quick double-take, he looked again. Was it gone, or had it dwindled to a deuce?

That's the way poker players might have described the tense situation which faced beleaguered China and her generalissimo. The United States, China's only and all-powerful ally, appeared waning in ardor for the generalissimo's leadership. No less an authoritative U. S. foreign-policy spokesman than Senator Tom Connally (D., Tex.), who will head the senate foreign relations committee in the 81st congress, had spoken.

PUTTING IT BLUNTLY, Senator Connally had said, in effect, that China generally, and Chiang Kai-shek especially, should have done more to help themselves in the battle against Chinese Communist forces before pressing an 11th-hour appeal for American aid.

The senator emphasized his viewpoint: He stated that the visit of Madame Chiang Kai-shek to the United States was "not by invitation of the United States government." He made it clear that Madame Chiang was "just a protagonist of the Chinese government."

WOE PILED UPON WOE for the Chinese. Coincident with Senator Connally's statement, press services carried the following despatch from New Orleans: "William McClesney Martin, president of the U. S. Export-Import bank, said the bank would not even consider a loan now to Nationalist China. He said the Export-Import bank does not have on hand as much money as China probably will want, and that China is a 'poor business risk'."

Why was Connally giving the back of his hand to the generalissimo? Hear the senator: "Chiang is a generalissimo except that he doesn't go out and generalize. . . . If he took command of one of his armies in the field, he would do more to revive the morale of his people than anything else."

The Texan was but voicing publicly what other administration officials have been saying privately—that they are not too keen about Madame Chiang's all-out propaganda drive to divert more money and materials to China, possibly at the expense of the Marshall-plan countries. Connally summed up by saying that he was not prepared at this time to pass any opinion on increasing the aid to China, but added, "I am not in favor of sending combat troops to China."

MEANWHILE, CHIANG'S Suchow garrison was under orders to sally forth in an effort to save Nanking and rescue an entire army group trapped by the rampaging Communists—but gave no indication of heeding the call. The fate of the frightened capital depended on the ability, or willingness, of the 250,000-man Suchow force to quit its fortress 211 miles northwest of Nanking.

While the garrison was deliberating its next move, latest battle-front dispatches said the government's 12th army group, totaling about 140,000 men, was encircled by Communists 67 miles south of Suchow and 145 miles northwest of Nanking. Little defense remained on the route to Nanking.

BERLIN: Blockade Talks Set

Hope for an early end to the Berlin blockade flared upward. Russia had accepted a new formula by the neutral nations of the U. N. Security Council for mediating the Big Four deadlock on the German capital issue.

Juan A. Bramuglia, Argentine foreign minister, announced that Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky had agreed to the plan at a meeting with him. It called for the naming of a "neutral" commission of currency experts.

BASIS for the resurgence of hope that the issue could be amicably resolved was a statement by U. S. Senator Connally that he believed the Russian land blockade of Berlin "would be lifted soon."

Senator Connally told a news conference that "there is bound to be a way out" of the deadlock over Berlin. He said the argument over the circulation of Russian currency in Berlin does not justify the cost

Red Mayor



German Communists named Fritz Ebert, son of the late President Friedrich Ebert of the Weimar republic, as mayor of Berlin at a frenetic outdoor rally before Berlin university. The "rump" city assembly, attended only by Communists, voted for the immediate resignation of the acting mayor, Ferdinand Friedensburg.

of the air lift supplying the city, and does not "relieve us of any threats of conflict." He insisted on joint control of any currency distributed in Berlin.

The United States, France and Britain gave approval in principle to the Bramuglia proposal. Bramuglia stated he hoped for immediate formal acceptance by the three western powers and saw a possibility for the new mediation effort to get results.

THE NEW FORMULA of the "neutrals"—China, Colombia, Syria, Canada, Argentina and Belgium—was aimed at meeting western objections to talks on the currency issue under the threat of the Soviet blockade of Berlin. It was also known to contain provisions for a commission of experts to try to unravel the Berlin currency problem in consultation with the Big Four's own experts.

The plan would recommend a complete and final lifting of the Berlin blockade at the same time the Soviet-zone mark is introduced in Berlin as the sole currency.

The four powers agreed on the use of the Soviet mark August 30, but became entangled in a dispute over when the measure should take effect and what kind of currency controls should be established.

DEFLATION: Truman on Lookout

Like the horseman who galloped off in all directions, President Truman is sprinting both to and fro in the vexatious price control rise.

Just as the administration was girding to battle mounting living costs, prices sagged and now its economic experts are debating the need to don armor against deflation. Most economic policy-makers believe inflationary forces still dominate the national scene—but some of them feel these forces are just about spent.

ONE TOP-LEVEL fiscal official declared, "inflationary pressures still outweigh the deflationary forces. But they aren't as great as they were a few months ago."

Inflationary pressures have subsided somewhat in recent weeks, but many government economists have adopted a "wait and see" policy. They want to know, first, how much President Truman will ask for "cold war" spending.

The cost of living is one of the important economic barometers indicating at least a temporary slackening of inflationary pressures. As measured by the bureau of labor statistics, living costs dropped slightly between mid-October and mid-November for the first time in seven months. And department store sales have been below their usual pre-Christmas levels.

However, economists point out that heavy spending for the armed services could quickly change the picture.

They expect President Truman's 15 billion dollar ceiling on defense spending to be boosted, and military aid for China and lend-lease arms for western European governments, they add, could swell the cost of foreign aid.

THAT KIND OF SPENDING economists point out, puts more money in circulation and reinforces inflationary pressures by bidding up the price of labor and scarce material.

HOUSING: Realtors Critical

State socialism was the goal seen by the National Association of Real Estate Boards for the promoters of public housing.

A pamphlet published by the board's legislative committee charged a "clever propaganda campaign" about housing has been developed by a coalition of planners, socialists and radicals.

"The objective of this powerful coalition is simple," the pamphlet continued, "state socialism with all its dangerous implications. Control of housing is their first and logical step."

THE PAMPHLET, entitled "The world owes me a living," appeared to be an attack on public housing features of the Taft-Ellender-Wagner bill. President Truman is committed to ask congress in January to revive and enact this measure.

The bill failed to pass in the 80th congress. It would lay down a long-range housing program, including incentives for private industry, and federal subsidies for construction of 500,000 units of low-rent housing.

The real estate group pointed out that many people think meat costs too much. Yet few of them, the pamphlet added, would propose that the government go into the meat business.

YET, ALL OBSERVERS of the situation were agreed that no answer would be forthcoming to the continuing and aggravating national housing shortage until more rental units were constructed.

NO MONEY: No Draftee

Army draft calls for January and February were reduced more than two-thirds when military officials realized this was necessary if limits on defense spending fixed by Mr. Truman were to be observed.

THE JANUARY QUOTA was cut from 20,000 to 10,000 and the February call, which had been set to take 25,000 to 30,000 men, was lowered to 5,000.

The army stated simply that the proposed budget for next year isn't big enough to build the 900,000-man army authorized by congress.

The armed forces had asked for 23 billion dollars for the fiscal year beginning July 1. President Truman set a 15 billion dollar ceiling on defense spending.

Of this total, 600 million dollars must be spent on stockpiling strategic raw material. The balance of \$14,400,000,000 will be split among the armed forces, with the army expected to get about 5 billion dollars.

BECAUSE OF THAT, the army figures it will have to limit its strength to 677,000 officers and men. This is 223,000 (24.8 per cent) under the 900,000 authorized by congress last summer.

Army officials saw in the budget difficulty probability of sharp reductions in later draft calls, too. Instead of some 225,000 or 250,000 men marching off to the colors this fiscal year ending June 30, prospects were that the total would be but a fraction of either of those two figures.

Embattled China



Map shows how U. S. marine reinforcements from Guam (lower right) were moved to Tsingtao (1), American evacuation center. Safe conduct for evacuating Americans was considered imperative as the desperate battle for Suchow between Chinese Reds and Chinese Nationalists went into its final phase. Suchow (2) is the hot spot of China.

WARNING: Doctors Must Offer

It's up to the nation's doctors themselves whether they'll be drafted. Physicians attending the interim session of the American Medical association in St. Louis were warned they must volunteer in sufficient numbers or face a special draft.

Dr. James C. Sargent, chairman of the AMA council on emergency medical service, said "many doctors are going into uniform in the months ahead—make no mistake about that." Sargent said a special draft would be undesirable, but that it may have to come. "We must provide adequate medical care for our fighting men," he said.



Plants, Like Humans, Are Finicky Eaters

Isotopes Tell Amounts Of Fertilizer Utilized

Atomic scientists have learned that some plants, like some human beings, are finicky eaters.

This new knowledge, important commercially, is the result of exhaustive tests with radioactive isotopes of phosphorous in fertilizers.

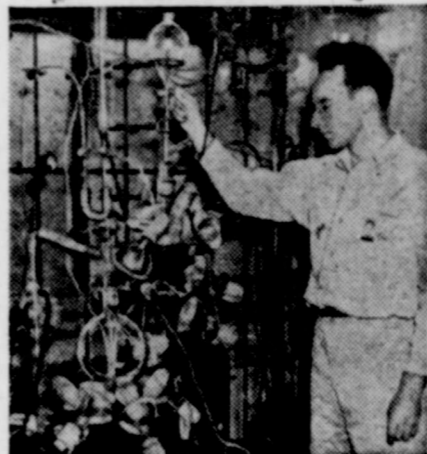
Radioisotopes, sometimes called "tracers," are atoms whose nuclei emit high-energy rays that can be detected by sensitive instruments. Thus, the movement of substances containing such atoms may be followed or traced at all times.

Before radioisotopes were used, it was impossible to tell how much fertilizer a plant would absorb. But by using radioactive phosphorous in phosphate fertilizer, for instance, scientists know the amount each plant takes.

As a result, a scientist now can tell a farmer who spends \$50 to put phosphate fertilizer on his land whether the plant only "nibbles" or takes a bite big enough to replay his expense.

During these experiments, scientists were surprised to discover that plants sometimes have distinct likes and dislikes for certain "meals."

For example, it was learned from tests in North Carolina that corn liked the phosphate from fertilizer



This man works on an extraction apparatus in Oak Ridge, Tenn., as part of the program for the nationwide distribution of beneficial radioactive isotopes from the uranium chain-reacting atomic pile.

for a time, then would switch to the phosphate which had been present before fertilization. In Maine, the potatoes preferred the fertilizer phosphate all the time.

In other cases, plants would seem always to prefer the phosphate already present in the ground, instead of the meal prepared by the farmer.

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Small Turkey Talk



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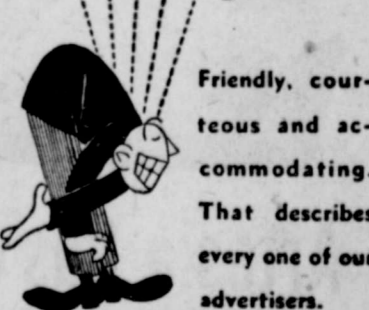
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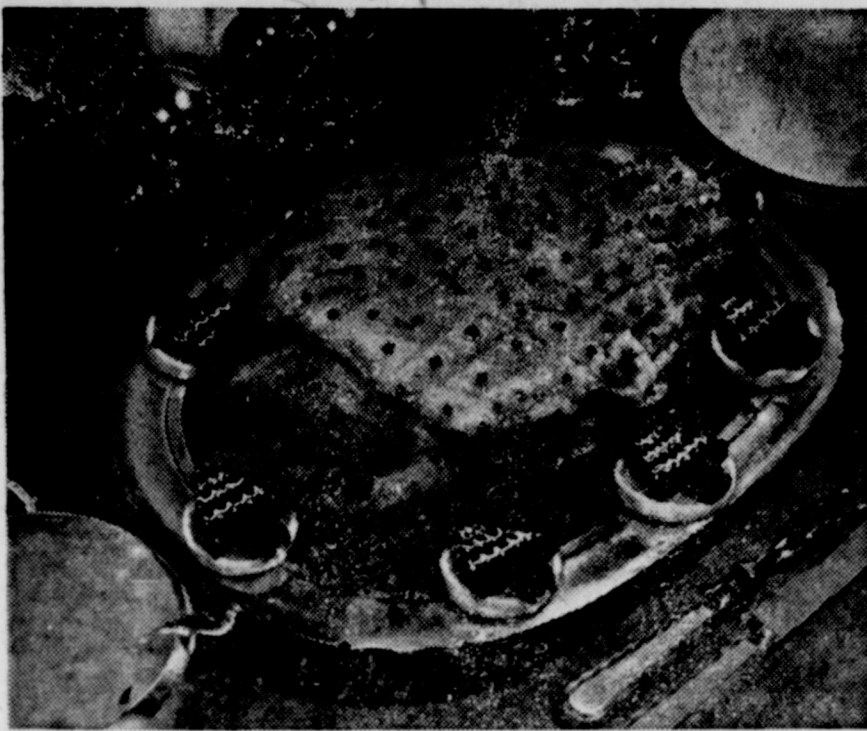
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Let Ham Grace the Yuletide Table
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Since the foods for the menu are star attractions, have the table setting as simple as possible.

START OFF the menu with a mouth-watering soup, so delicious from beginning to end, you'll want to serve it often. It doesn't take long to make, and the cooking time is short.

*Tomato Richard (Serves 6)

6 cups tomato juice
1 medium onion, coarsely chopped
1/2 cup coarsely shredded carrot
1/2 cup thin sliced celery
1/4 cup shredded green pepper
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1/2 teaspoon sugar
2 bay leaves
6 tablespoons real mayonnaise

Simmer tomato juice, vegetables and seasonings for 10 minutes. Remove bay leaves. Stir a little of the hot mixture into the mayonnaise. Then blend all together. Top with the following: Whip one-half cup of heavy cream and add to it one-quarter cup of real mayonnaise and sprinkle with chopped chives.

A HOLIDAY HAM is a wise investment in this season where there are plenty of sizable inroads on your budget; the ham will not only fill the bill for Christmas dinner but will also pad out other menus during the holiday weekend. The leftovers can be the base for a main dish gelatin mold to grace the buffet table; for a main dish salad; and the "final finals" can go into sandwich spreads for lunches during the Yuletide vacation.

Serve your ham, resplendent on your best platter, with a garnish of orange slices topped with cranberry Christmas trees. To make these, cut canned cranberry sauce, chilled to make sure it's firm, in one and one-third inch slices. Cut out a paper tree pattern and place on slice of sauce; carefully cut around pattern with point of knife. Place the tree on orange slices. Cream a small amount of milk with cream cheese; put through pastry tube on to trees in scallop pattern to resemble Christmas tree garlands.

*Baked Ham

Place ham, fat side up, in an open roasting-pan. Do not add water and do not cover. Do not baste. Bake in a slow (325° F.) oven, according to the time given below. If you have a meat thermometer, insert it through outside fat into center of thickest part of ham so that the bulb does not rest on bone or fat.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

*Tomato Richard
Crackers Assorted Relishes
*Baked Ham Garnish
*Sweet Potatoes and Apples
Buttered Green Beans
Fruit Salad Hot Rolls
Plum Pudding *Sauce
*Recipe Given.

Roasting Time Table (For Ham)

Oven temperature: 300° F.—325° F.		
	Thermometer Reading	Minutes Per Lb.
Ham, whole, uncooked		
10-12 lbs.	160° F.	18-20
Ready-to-eat		
10-12 lbs.	130° F.	10
Ham, half, uncooked		
6-8 lbs.	160° F.	22-25
Ready-to-eat		
6-8 lbs.	130° F.	10
Picnic (shldr.)	170° F.	30-35
Boneless Butt	170° F.	40-45

These times are given for ham at room temperature. If ham is just removed from refrigerator before starting, allow a little longer time.

One-half hour before cooking time is completed, remove ham from oven, peel off rind with sharp knife and score the fat surface. Place a whole clove in each section. Glaze with the following sauce:

*Tabasco Orange Sauce

2 tablespoons cornstarch
1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup water
1/4 cup white corn syrup
1/2 cup orange juice
2 tablespoons vinegar
1/4 teaspoon tabasco sauce
1 cup orange sections

In a sauce pan, blend cornstarch, brown sugar and salt. Add water and mix until smooth; add corn syrup. Cook, stirring constantly until mixture boils. Remove from heat; stir in orange juice and tabasco sauce. Add orange sections and return to heat until sauce is hot. Serve with ham.

*Sweet Potatoes and Apples (Serves 6)

Peel 6 medium-sized sweet potatoes and 4 medium-sized apples. Slice potatoes, slice and core apples. Place alternating layers of potatoes and apples in a greased casserole. Sprinkle with one-quarter cup brown sugar and three tablespoons butter. Pour one-quarter cup water or fruit juice over all. Bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven for one hour or until potatoes are tender.

*Plum Pudding Sauce

2 eggs, well beaten
1/2 cup sugar
1 tablespoon butter
1/2 pint cream, whipped
Flavoring

Mix well beaten eggs with sugar; add butter and cook over hot water, stirring constantly, until thickened. Cool, then fold in whipped cream. Flavor as desired. This is not only delicious on plum pudding but also on ice cream.

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O.K. Clouderoft Paving Project

An AP dispatch from Denver in the El Paso Times says: The regional office of the U.S. Public Roads Administration announced Saturday it will recommend awarding a contract to Cowart Construction Co., of Lordsburg, New Mexico, for surfacing six miles of the Alamogordo-Clouderoft

highway. Cowart submitted a low bid of about \$70,000 for the New Mexico project. A forest highway, the job will be paid for by the federal govern-

ment. Through the kindness and thoughtfulness of J. W. Mellard, Hope will have a Christmas tree this year. It arrived last week and it will be erected this week and then someone is supposed to decorate it.

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Farm Topics

New Unit Improves Ventilation of Barn

Dairymen Find Device Particularly Effective

Many of a cow's troubles can be traced to heat and humidity. A cow, unlike a human being, can perspire only through the mouth. So when the temperature and humidity inside a barn get high, the animal becomes uncomfortable and stubborn, particularly at milking time.

According to the department of agriculture, an average cow gives off almost a pint of water every hour through breathing. In addition to the high humidity caused by this breathing, a cow has an extremely high body temperature.

During the winter months, when the cows are in the barn most of the time, this combination results in generation of an enormous amount of water vapor and heat. When the warm, moisture-laden air comes in contact with the cold walls, condensation occurs and frost is formed.

The net result to farmers is rotting beams, joist and siding; a loss of hay because of mold created by moisture and frost; milk contamination, disease, particularly among the young stock and reduction of milk production because of discomfort to cows.

A simple solution to all of these costly problems is an automatic cooling unit, which is proving popular with dairy farmers.

These automatic ventilation units, easily installed, reduce condensa-



Picture on Vernon Julins farm at Freeport, Ill., shows installation of automatic cooling unit in dairy barn.

tion to a negligible degree — less than 2 per cent. This action, in turn, decreases barn deterioration, hay mold, milk contamination and disease. It also provides much more comfort for the cows and increases milk production. In addition, working conditions for the operator are much more pleasant.

The cooling units are equipped with an automatic "airswitch" thermostat.

Higher Yields Outweigh Cattle Spraying Costs

An increase of \$3.75 per head more than covers the cost of spraying beef cattle with DDT, it was revealed in a test of the value of fly control conducted at the University of Illinois college of agriculture.

Protected cattle gained about 15 pounds more per head during the pasture season than a group that had not been sprayed. At 25 cents a pound, an increase of 15 pounds a head amounts to \$3.75 a head, a return that far outweighs the cost of spraying.

Beef cattle should be sprayed often enough to control flies, whether it requires two or three sprayings during the season or once a month.

Soil Inventory Termed Good Management Basis

Keep an inventory of the soil's fertility, the same as of buildings, livestock and equipment, advises Middle West Soil Improvement committee.

Nearly any farmer knows how many dairy cows, beef cattle, hogs and sheep he has. He also keeps a record of his seed, feed, buildings, machinery and fences.

Few farmers, however, have an inventory of their principal asset—



the soil. Yet a farmer's earning power depends largely on whether his soil's fertility level is high or low.

On thousands of farms a soil fertility inventory would show serious shortages. Overcropping has used up nitrogen, phosphate and potash. The organic matter supply is scraping the bottom of the barrel. Soil structure has been damaged.



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Herds and Flocks

Milk slump usually is caused by fly trouble, poor pasture or both. To control flies, keep buildings sprayed with DDT and use a repellent type of spray at milking time. To bolster short pastures, feed grain or silage.

Mudholes for hogs, aside from harboring parasites and disease, are likely to cause animals to overheat. An animal plastered with mud, baked on by the sun, is likely to heat up in a hurry.

Many hogs usually bring 50 cents to \$1 less per 100 pounds when sent to market. It's easy to clean up manure with benzene hexachloride.

Inspection of Hardware Prevents Later Trouble

Regular inspection and lubrication of hardware in the house such as locks, hinges, window pulleys and other moveable fittings eliminates many annoyances and prevents minor troubles growing into large ones.

Screws should be kept tight. Hinges and other moving parts should be lightly oiled or greased every six months. Window catches and other fittings likely to rust should have a drop of light oil rubbed over the surface and excess oil wiped off.

You can breeze through a good part of your Christmas shopping by simplifying your gift list. It's probably a fact that a good many of your friends enjoy cigarette or pipe smoking. You can easily please these friends by ordering several cartons of mild, mellow Camels and pound tins of rich-tasting Prince Albert from a local dealer. Both these popular gifts come ready-wrapped in gay holiday dress. No other gift wrapping is necessary. There's even space for your personal greeting. Save time and energy this Christmas season by giving cool, mild Camels and mellow Prince Albert Smoking Tobacco. (Adv.)

For Joyful Cough Relief, Try This Home Mixture

This splendid recipe is used by millions every year, because it makes such a dependable, effective medicine for coughs due to colds. It is so easy to mix—a child could do it. From any drugist, get 2½ ounces of Pinex, a special compound of proven ingredients, in concentrated form, well-known for its soothing effect on throat and bronchial irritations. Then make a syrup by stirring two cups of granulated sugar and one cup of water a few moments, until dissolved. No cooking needed. Or you can use corn syrup or liquid honey, instead of sugar syrup. Put the Pinex into a pint bottle and fill up with your syrup. This gives you a full pint of cough medicine, very effective and quick-acting, and you get about four times as much for your money. It never spoils, and is very pleasant—children love it. You'll be surprised by the way it takes hold of coughs, giving quick relief. It loosens the phlegm, soothes the irritated membranes, and helps clear the air passages. Money refunded if it doesn't please you in every way. **Pinex Saves You Money!**



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Your Christmas Cards

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 1947

FIFTEEN MONTHS AGO, WHEN WOMEN'S FASHIONS WERE JUST GETTING THE "NEW LOOK", PUBLISHERS BEGAN DESIGNING THE 1948 CHRISTMAS CARDS

ARTISTS CAPTURED THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT IN FULL-COLOR PAINTINGS. MANY GREETING CARD ARTISTS SPECIALIZE—SOME IN WINTER SCENES—OTHERS IN CHRISTMAS FLORAL DESIGNS

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Christmas Toys For Every Need

Be a careful shopper when you select Christmas toys. Just as there are different types of toys for each age level, so there are toys that serve different purposes in each age group. There are manipulative toys, toys for physical development, balance and skill, toys for dramatic, imaginative play, toys to teach arts and handicrafts, and toys to encourage an interest in nature, science, hobbies and pets. A child needs some of each in the form best adapted to his age level. Toys for babies should be selected primarily from the standpoint of safety. They should have no sharp edges, no loose parts small enough to be swallowed. Animals with eyes glued or pinned on, toys covered with poisonous paint or made of glass or china are taboo. The best choice is something that can be washed when it becomes soiled.

Great Royal Feasts Once Marked Yule

A modern Christmas dinner is a mere "snack" compared to the royal Yule banquets of Kings and Queens in history. For one of Edward III's Christmas feasts 2,000 oxen were prepared. The guests ate as much as they could and the vast leftovers were distributed to anyone who happened to come along. Edward was the first English king to employ French cooks for a Christmas feast. When Henry III spent Christmas of 1241 at Gloucester, he ordered the sheriff to buy 20 large salmon to put into pies for the Christmas dinner. Richard II feasted 10,000 people at a banquet in 1399. He kept more than 1,000 cooks, each of whom specialized in one kind of food.

Hang Stockings For Santa Claus

Why have stockings come to be a traditional receptacle for Christmas gifts? Although historians can give no authentic answer, they point out that children's stockings are usually hung by the chimney to keep warm or dry out, so it was natural that Santa Claus should pick them as the place in which to deposit gifts. In certain regions of France it is the shoe that is put out on Christmas Eve. Some authorities say that shoes and stockings were put near the fireplace for the same reason that an old boot was associated with a wedding—in order to bring good luck and drive away evil spirits.

Yule Record Begins In Fifth Century

There is no mention of a Christian observance of December 25 as Christmas before the fifth century. There is, in fact, no record to indicate what date Jesus was born. Various researchers have set the day as January 6, March 25, May 20, April 19 and November 17. In order to win Christian converts away from their observance of the pagan mid-winter festival, early churchmen induced them to observe the birth of Christ Jesus at that time instead. Thus December 25 came to be established as Christmas.

Real Santa Claus A Youthful Saint

The name of Santa Claus is merely slurring the Dutch San Nicholas, which is, of course, St. Nicholas. American children are probably the only ones who say it exactly that way. Nicholas was an actual person. He was Bishop of Myra, in Lycia, Asia Minor, in the first part of the fourth century. He was also the youngest bishop in the history of the church. From the day of his birth Nicholas revealed his piety and grace. He refused on fast days to take the natural nourishment of a child. But Nicholas was not a barefoot recluse vowed to poverty. His father was a wealthy merchant, and his riches enabled him to be a dispenser of the good things of life. The feast of St. Nicholas was originally celebrated on December 6. Later, when church people in the late Middle Ages tried to suppress the festivities which grew up around the Boy Saint's day, his festival came to be associated with Christmas day.



Chicago Museum of Science and Industry. Mrs. Rose Maselauskas, of Chicago, makes bird cages and geometric figures of straw to trim the Lithuanian Christmas tree.

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

International Uniform Sunday School Lessons

By DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 1:18-2:12; Mark 1:1-11; Luke 2:1-20. DEVOTIONAL READING: Isaiah 9:2-7.

The Best News

Lesson for December 19, 1948

WHAT kind of news is good? Christians always have called the heart of their religion "Good News," for that is what "Gospel" means. We do not call it "Good Resolutions" or "Good Ideas" or even "Good Ideals." Just Good News. But what is good about it? It is a fair question to ask at Christmas time, for the story that Christmas brings is the beginning of the Gospel.



Dr. Foreman

News of Peace

ONE of the best kinds of news there is to learn that someone we thought was an enemy, is actually a friend. The end of misunderstanding, of estrangement—what a rush of warmth to the heart it brings!

That is the news of the first Christmas—that God is our friend. Christ did not come to assure men that there is a God. That was well known, indeed few doubted it. He did not even come to announce that there is but one God, for that was already known to the wiser sort of men. Neither did his coming unveil the God of justice. The Greeks and Romans, as well as the Jews, knew such a God only too well.

No wonder a Roman poet, looking about on the religions of his time, concluded that fear is the great god-maker.

The coming of Christ was to put an end to all that. This was more than a friendly gesture, it was an act of love. Those who have discovered God in Christ have found that God is not only our Maker but our heavenly Father and Friend. There is no better news!

News of a Gift

IT IS good news also when we hear of a legacy or gift of some sort, especially when it is something we could not have expected. And the story of Christmas is the news about God personally entering the life of man. It is God giving us himself.

In the Child of Bethlehem, in the Man he was to become, in the work he was to do, there was a new thing—the self-giving of God.

For the non-Christian, the story of Christmas, for all its charm, is only another story of a child born to poverty, doomed to pain—another chapter in the long agony of man. For the Christian, the story of Christmas is the Good News of how God gives himself, for our sake.

News of Rescue

MANY Americans, caught in the war, starving behind electric fences for years on end, caught their first news of victory from seeing American planes roaring high overhead. No words were needed. It was news, good news, the news of rescue, of freedom.

To all mankind, to each one who will listen, the Christmas story is good news of rescue. A Child is born, but more . . . "a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord."

From a Far Country

IT IS good news when from a far country, until now dark and unknown, we learn that it is a land of friends who send us welcome across the miles. So the meaning of Christmas is good news from a far land, the land beyond what we call death. "Our Saviour Jesus Christ hath abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel" (II Tim. 1:10).

As on the first Christmas, so ever since, the Gospel of God is not alone the good news of a God who loves and forgives and who brings us the victory, it is the news of God who stands at the end of our dark journey to welcome his children home. Good news! The world has none to equal the news of Christmas.

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Ain't It So

Progress is mostly a matter of exchanging old worries for new ones.

A reputation is a personal possession frequently not discovered until lost.

Internationally, conscience is the warning voice that tells a country perhaps another country is stronger after all.

A rich man hires a staff-secretary, butler, housekeeper and all the rest. The man who can't afford that gets married.

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Electricity Assures Water for Livestock

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Electricity, which has eased the farmer's chores, has come to the aid of farm animals, too.

Through the medium of electricity, Dobbin and Bossy no longer need fear that their drinking water supply will be shut off during the cold winter months.

Tests by agricultural engineers have demonstrated that electricity is economical to provide warm water for livestock during the winter. Watering devices were operated at a cost as low as 70 kilowatt hours per month, representing an outlay of \$1.40 at two cents per kilowatt.

Some farmers are finding that their installations are expensive to operate, principally because of lack



This horse can laugh at Old Man Winter as a result of this floating water heater, an electrical de-icer which assures farm animals a drink despite the cold.

of insulation or because too much water is heated.

The following suggestion will help to make an ideal installation:

1. Use as small a tank as possible, definitely not more than 150 gallons.
2. Install a float so the size of the tank can be reduced. Commercial units now on the market use only a drinking cup.
3. Use at least three or four inches of commercial insulation and cover all sides, leaving room for only one or two animals to drink.
4. Install a baffle board to prevent air movement over the water under the insulated top.

Use of electricity makes it safe to install the tank inside the barn or in a shed, which will encourage livestock to drink more water and thus increase milk and meat production.

Spoilage of Stored Grain Hinges on Bin's Condition

Grain can be stored almost indefinitely with little deterioration in farm-type bins — those that hold 1,000 to 3,000 bushels—if the bins are kept dry, cool, clean and free of insects, according to the USDA. For control of insect infestation, chief reliance must be placed on fumigation. Shelled corn has been stored for several years with a loss of less than 1 per cent, according to official reports.

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